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 queer set of circumstances. Doubtless tan is fying from the wrath of his halfbrother, our lamented friend Gabriel. He is supposed to be in our hills with
a half starved body of followers. It seems impossible that he could hare
reached our northern boundaries with-
out reached our nots catching a glimpse of
out our outposts
him at some time. The trouble is that among the others. I have been going
on the presumption that Baldos is in
reality Prince Dantan, but last night reality Prince Dantan, but last night
the belief reecived a severe shocl." "Yes?" came from several eager lips.
"My men who are watching the
Dawsbergen frontier came in last Dawsbergen frontier came in last
night and reported that Dantan had 읍잉 켜․․․ the southerv part of craustaaks many
days ago Our new gaiad ppeat
languages, but he has never been heard tc use that of Dawsbergen. That fact
in itself is not surprising. for, of all
things, he would aroid his mother tongue. Dantan is part Enslisish. Dy
birth and whoolly so by cultivation. In

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| Ba | "Then he realiy isn't Prince Dan-

tan?" cried Beverls, as though a chertan?" cried Beverly,
ished ideal had been shattered.
"Not if we are to beolieve the tales
"on south. Here is another com"Not if we are tore is another com-
from the south. Here
plication, however. There is, as you know, Count Haliont, and pertaps an
of jou, for that matter, a pretender to
the throne of Asphain, the fugitive
Prince Frederic. He is described as the throne of Axphain, the fugive
Prince Frederic. He is described as
young. good looking, ascholar and the nest thing to a pauper."
"Baldos a mere pretender!" cried
Bererly in distress. "Never!" Bererly in distress. "Never""
"At any rate, he is not what he pre-
tends to be" said the baron, with a tends to be," said the baron, wid
wise smile.
"Then you think he mas be Prince "Then sou think he may be Price
Frederic?" asked Lorry, deeply inter-
ested. ested.
II aur inclined to think so, although
another complication has arisen. May another complication has arisen. May
it please your higness, I am in an
amazingly tangled state of mind," adamazingly tangled state of ming hand "Do sou mean that another myster1ous prince has come to life?" asked Yetive, her eyes sparkli "Early this morning a dispatch came
to me from the Grand Dulie Michael of to me from the Grap a duchy in western
Eapp-Thorberg, a
Europe, informing me that the duke's eldest son had fled from home and is known to have come
possibly to Graustark."
"It never rains but it hails, so bere's "We are the Mecca for runaway ros
alty, it seems." said Count Halfont. alty, it seems." said Count Halfont.
"Go on with the story, Baron Dan. gloss,", crled the princess. "It is like a
book."
"A description of the soung man ac-

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## here and there.

The Ellis Island officials estimate
hat at the present rate of increase,
here will be $1,283,415$ immigrants
next year. Te figures for 1906 wil
be $1,050,000$ people, against 859.010
in 1905, an increase of over 22 per
cent.
All the railroad troubles are not in
the south. Passengers on a New fort
Central train who spent 18 hours

## Les before the railroad commission the State. The prosperity of the year semss to ave struck even the fraternity of



The Farriman Railroad System.
this huge machine are sufficiently well
nown. The gross income of the sys
tem for the last year rose $\$ 170,010$,
000 . This is a larger gross incorm
than that of any other railroad sys
tem in the world, the Pensylvani
alone excepted. The dividend dis
ate of about $\$ 28,000 ; 000$ net-that
This, again, is a larger annual dis-
ribution than that of any other cor-
xcepted.
All this is a strange change from
$e$ old water-logged Union Pacific
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O: that there can be no question. He
went into the Union Pacific as one of
several widely divided groups. In not
more than year he was very ac-
tively in command, and yet a little.
later, absolutely. In the beginning
Wall street referred to the Union Pa-
cific as the Kuhn-Loeb road; today
it is very distinctly the Harriman sys-
ter
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H. Harriman's Interest in Boys.

Harriman is interested in boys
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the is president of the largest
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